
CITY OF TEMPE REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Council Meeting Date: 9/19/2013
Agenda Item: 5B18

ACTION: Award professional services contracts to AMEC Environment & Infrastructure, Inc.; Kleinfelder West, Inc.; Ricker, Atkinson, McBee, Morman and Associates, Inc.; and Speedie and Associates, Inc. to provide on-call materials testing and related services.

FISCAL IMPACT: The total contract amount for each firm is not to exceed \$200,000. Funding for materials testing comes from two sources. Testing associated with private development and utilities construction is funded by operating budget cost center 3222 and testing related to Capital Improvement construction is funded by the individual project.

RECOMMENDATION: Award professional services contracts to AMEC Environment & Infrastructure, Inc.; Kleinfelder West, Inc.; Ricker, Atkinson, McBee, Morman and Associates, Inc.; and Speedie and Associates, Inc.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Staff requested proposals from geotechnical firms and a qualification based selection process, including a site visit, was conducted to determine which testing labs best met the current and future needs of the City. Considering the diversity of construction and maintenance projects in the City, and the differing areas of expertise of the labs being evaluated, four firms were selected for this on-call service.

These contracts are for a one year term with an option to extend for up to two years in twelve month increments. During the first contract year each individual contract will not exceed \$200,000. This contract amount is based on the estimated needs of the City and the amount spent for these services over the last several years. At the end of each contract term, each firm's performance will be evaluated by staff and their contract extended based on their successful performance and the needs of the City.

AMEC Environment & Infrastructure, Inc.; Kleinfelder West, Inc.; Ricker, Atkinson, McBee, Morman, and Associates, Inc.; and Speedie and Associates, Inc. were selected by a review committee as the most qualified firms for materials testing services using a process pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes § 34-603. The qualifications based selection process includes evaluation of each firm's statement of qualifications in response to our request for qualifications (RFQ); holding selection panel interviews with at least three qualified firms based on selection criteria with relative weights as follows:

- 5% General description of the professional skills, experience and ability of the proposed firm;
- 20% Relevant experience and qualifications of the proposed firm;
- 20% Relevant experience of key project personnel;
- 20% Understanding of this project and approach to performing required services;
- 30% In depth discussion through question and answer session of the proposed firm's expertise, qualifications of key personnel and their knowledge related to this project, and;
- 5% Overall evaluation of the proposed firm and its ability to provide the required services.

Staff worked with all four firms in developing a unit price cost matrix for field sampling and laboratory testing services and has reviewed their best and final prices. The proposed unit prices are consistent with industry standards for geotechnical services.

ATTACHMENTS: Professional Services contracts.

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